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SUBJECT: HIGHLIGHTS OF IEP WORKING PARTY JUNE 27-28

1. WORKING PARTY CONCLUDED JUNE 28 WITH REPORT TO ECG
ON INTEGRATED EMERGENCY PROGRAM. WHILE TEXT, WHICH WILL
BE ASSEMBLED BY BELGIANS, IS FAR FROM ELEGANT, IT CONTAINS
ALL BASIC ELEMENTS AND LINKAGES OF US PROPOSAL. AN
ADDITIONAL MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENT WAS THAT ALL ECG DELEGATIONS
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NOW FULLY UNDERSTAND INTRICACIES OF US PROPOSAL. MOREOVER,

ECG EFFORT TO DEVELOP EMERGENCY SCHEME IS NOW WHOLLY BASED ON US PROPOSAL. VIRTUALLY ALL FIGURES AND DATES FOR IMPLEMENTATION WERE LEFT BLANK. SEVERAL MAJOR ISSUES WERE LEFT OPEN FOR DISCUSSION AT JULY 8-9 ECG AND RESOLUTION BY THE END OF JULY.

- 2. PARTLY AS A RESULT FURTHER EDUCATIVE EFFORTS TWO-DAY MEETING, THERE IS GROWING SUPPORT FOR IEP BY OFFICIALS ALTHOUGH SOME REMAIN BOTHERED BY PROBLEM HOW TO PRESENT PROGRAM AT HOME. CANADIANS AND NORWEGIANS PARTICULARLY FALL INTO THIS CATEGORY. BOTH WORRIED HOW THEY, AS NET EXPORTERS, WILL FIT INTO SCHEME. TOWARD END OF SECOND DAY, REPRESENTATIVES OF BOTH COUNTRIES OPTIMISTIC THEY CAN RATIONALIZE THEIR PARTICIPATION.
- 3. DUTCH ATTITUDE IS SOMEWHAT PUZZLING. WHILE THE EFFICIENCY OF THE WORKING PARTY WAS GREATLY AIDED BY THE ABSENCE VAN RHIJN, DUTCH WERE REPRESENTED AT RELATIVELY LOW EXPERT LEVEL. COMMENTS REFLECTED NEITHER PROFOUND UNDERSTANDING NOR GREAT INTEREST IN LARGER PURPOSES OF SCHEME.
- 4. JAPANESE REMAIN MOST NEGATIVE TOWARD SCHEME. THEY ENTERED GENERAL RESERVATION AT OUTSET AND SPECIFIC RESERVATIONS THROUGHOUT TWO-DAY MEETING AND CONCLUDED WITH FURTHER GENERAL RESERVATION. THEY REJECT LINKAGE AND ABOVE ALL FEAR CONFRONTATION BUT CLEARLY DO NOT WANT TO BE EXCLUDED. THEY WERE SHAKEN BY US STATEMENT THAT LINKAGE BASIC TO IEP AND WITHOUT IEP NO OIL SHARING IS POSSIBLE. PRIVATELY JAPANESE REP TESHIMA INDICATED DOUBT THAT TOKYO COULD REACH DECISION SOON ON IEP.
- 5. INSTITUTIONAL QUESTION REMAINS MAJOR PREOCCUPATION ALL OTHER DELEGATIONS. DAVIGNON AVOIDED ALL DISCUSSION BY NOTICE THAT HE WILL DEAL WITH ISSUE IN HIS PAPER FOR JULY 8-9 MEETING. CLEARLY THIS WILL BE THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR DISCUSSION AT THAT TIME WITH ALL REPEAT ALL OTHER DELEGATIONS LOOKING FOR SOME TYPE OF TIE TO OECD.FIRESTONE CONFIDENTIAL

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